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PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

Several violent and false accusations having been made before the Congressional Committee against Lieutenant Governor Pinchback, and that body adjourning before he could avail himself of an opportunity to exculpate himself, embraced the opportunity of the presence of the Committee in the Senate chamber, on Saturday last, and calling a Senator to the chair, the Lieutenant Governor took the floor and said:

I am again forced, Mr. President, to claim the attention of the Senate for a few moments on a question of privilege. I was not a little surprised on yesterday to see so many gentlemen rising for the purpose of making personal explanations; but I find it explained in the fact that serious charges have been made by certain witnesses before the congressional investigating committee against those gentlemen as well as myself. This is the first opportunity I have had since I read the testimony of those witnesses to make a personal explanation. I see that one Mr. S. W. Scott testified that at one time I was to be paid for some vote or action of mine on the floor of the Senate. I have not before me the paper containing the evidence of that gentleman, and, therefore, cannot allude to it specifically. I desire to say to the Senate and the members of the congressional committee who are present, that Mr. Scott has stated that which he knows to be untrue. I had no knowledge of the gentleman prior to the time that we had before us the bill which empowered the Governor to sell the stock in the Jackson railroad held by the State. I saw him then upon the floor of the Senate lobbying, as I understood, in favor of that measure. He testifies that a large amount of money was to be spent in its passage, and that the votes of legislators were to be paid for by the issue of paper by a Mr. Kimball, indorsed by himself (Mr. Scott.) He says that I, among other gentlemen, received one of those checks for \$1000, and I presume he intended to have the committee infer that I received it in consideration of my vote. I will state to the Senate and the members of the committee that Mr. Scott led the committee to imply that which was not true. I admit his correctness in stating that I held one of those checks. It was placed in my hands for collection, and I presented it to him for payment. I am a commission merchant, and sometimes have collected notes for friends of mine. He was buying paper of that kind, and says he offered me \$350, which I declined to take. I do not know that he offered me that, but I suppose so. How that paper got on the market he knows better than anybody else in the community. It is in my hands yet, as I was not empowered to take less for it than its face called for, which was the reason I could not accept his proposition. So much for that transaction. Mr. Scott also charges that Senator Bearss and myself opposed the new city charter in consideration of a certain sum of money. That charge is untrue, and the gentleman can not produce any evidence to substantiate it. The reason I opposed that bill is well known to the Senator now presiding (Mr. Barber) as well as to every other colored man in the Legislature, and many not in it. The question was, who was to fill the offices to be created? A demand was made by me, at the request of the colored men of this city, that the Governor should appoint a colored man to the position of Administrator of Public Improvements. The Governor would not comply with that request, and we determined then to oppose the bill to the last. From that day I commenced my opposition to the Governor. I opposed him for two years by my votes and by my influence in the Senate Chamber; and perhaps I would provoke a smile from any intelligent

man who is at all cognizant of the opinions of the colored people of the State. Judge Walker, Collector Casey, Mr. Packard and all of the opponents of the Republican party here, agreed in according to Mr. Dunn the position of the foremost negro in the State. If it be true that he was so (and I have no desire to gainsay it,) does it not appear exceedingly strange to sensible men that, holding the exalted position of Lieutenant Governor, he could not force me to give way to him in the late election for United States Senator? Is it not astonishing that he did not defeat me in the first election that took place here after the war, when he ran on an independent ticket for the constitutional convention? Is it not surprising that every time we measured our political swords, I was the victor? I do not cite these facts for the purpose of depreciating in any way the merits of Mr. Dunn, but for the purpose of showing that Judge Walker, in his testimony, has had no regard for the truth. A gentleman who testified before that committee in the interest of his party, declared that the Democrats in the General Assembly had voted for Mr. West as United States Senator because they knew I would be elected if they did otherwise. That is the strongest kind of testimony, it seems to me, of my representative capacity as a colored man; and yet Judge Walker is seen fit to traduce and defame me in their testimony before the committee. If any one think more than another has caused these gentlemen to oppose me it is the fact that I have at all times endeavored to exclude from the floor of the Senate those lobbyists who have corrupted the Legislature, if it has been corrupted. How often have I risen in my seat and asked that the rules be enforced prohibiting those men from entering the Senate Chamber? How often have I asked the presiding officer to protect me from the importunities of men who were annoying me nearly to death to get me to support their pet measures? And yet these men have the audacity to go before the congressional committee and asperse my character. If I have trespassed upon the rights and privileges of others; if I have been guilty of any misdemeanor or malfeasance on office, there is a way to punish me. Let these parties institute an investigation, and if I am found guilty I will bear the penalty without a murmur. But until I am adjudged guilty by a competent tribunal, I ask that these malignant vilifiers be silenced by the indignant voice of public opinion. If these gentlemen must vomit forth something in detraction of my character, let them confine themselves to the truth, and not attempt by groundless accusations, to cover up their own hideous deformities. The time will come, and that soon, when I will be heard in self-defense by the people, and when that time does arrive these gentlemen will doubtless be missing. I shall not fail then to tell the people what I know about these men. I shall not attempt to cover up any of my political or personal actions; I have done nothing that will not bear investigation—noting that I desire to deny. Therefore, I can well afford to meet these honorable gentlemen before the people. I am sorry I have been forced to occupy the cause of the down-trodden colored people. From that day to this I have not failed, whenever the opportunity presented itself, to cast my vote and raise my voice in behalf of the class I represent. I have stood firm at my post of duty, and it was for that reason that Judge Walker and others of the same class characterized me as infamous. 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before which I shall be arraigned, will render their judgment against me. Whether my character be infamous, whether I am no longer worthy of the confidence of the people, will be decided in 1872, and until that final decision is rendered I care not how much my character is aspersed by demagogues, for I know that a just and enlightened people will sustain me. So far as my public duties are concerned, I propose to perform them in the future as I have in the past. I do not intend to be frightened into the support of any measure; I do not propose to be brow-beaten into anything; I do not intend to be influenced by any motives save those which should govern an honest, true man. While I do not claim to possess all the honesty in the State, yet I venture to say that my character would appear as the driven snow in comparison with the character of those gentlemen who have seen fit to traduce and defame me in their testimony before the committee. If any one think more than another has caused these gentlemen to oppose me it is the fact that I have at all times endeavored to exclude from the floor of the Senate those lobbyists who have corrupted the Legislature, if it has been corrupted. How often have I risen in my seat and asked that the rules be enforced prohibiting those men from entering the Senate Chamber? How often have I asked the presiding officer to protect me from the importunities of men who were annoying me nearly to death to get me to support their pet measures? And yet these men have the audacity to go before the congressional committee and asperse my character. If I have trespassed upon the rights and privileges of others; if I have been guilty of any misdemeanor or malfeasance on office, there is a way to punish me. Let these parties institute an investigation, and if I am found guilty I will bear the penalty without a murmur. But until I am adjudged guilty by a competent tribunal, I ask that these malignant vilifiers be silenced by the indignant voice of public opinion. If these gentlemen must vomit forth something in detraction of my character, let them confine themselves to the truth, and not attempt by groundless accusations, to cover up their own hideous deformities. The time will come, and that soon, when I will be heard in self-defense by the people, and when that time does arrive these gentlemen will doubtless be missing. I shall not fail then to tell the people what I know about these men. I shall not attempt to cover up any of my political or personal actions; I have done nothing that will not bear investigation—noting that I desire to deny. Therefore, I can well afford to meet these honorable gentlemen before the people. I am sorry I have been forced to occupy the cause of the down-trodden colored people. From that day to this I have not failed, whenever the opportunity presented itself, to cast my vote and raise my voice in behalf of the class I represent. I have stood firm at my post of duty, and it was for that reason that Judge Walker and others of the same class characterized me as infamous. I venture to say that had I been one of those who were willing to sell out the rights and interests of the colored people and join in the effort to divide and destroy the Republican party, I am prepared to occupy and assume the responsibilities and duties of any office in which I can subserve the interests of my people, my party and my State; but I am not willing now, nor will I ever be willing, to become the suppliant tool of Henry C. Warmoth, nor anybody else. If I had the slightest suspicion that such were the motives that induced my election, I would have indignantly refused to accept the position I occupy. You know, Mr. President [Mr. Barber], better perhaps than any other person, that I am not President of the Senate and Lieutenant Governor by reason of any desire on my part to become so. You and I, as you well remember, debated at great length the question as to whether it would not be impolitic for me to accept the position, and you, with many other of our representative men, urged me to do so. Judge Walker goes on to say that "he had no idea that his (Pinchback's) appointment was popular among the colored people. They would regard such a man as an unworthy successor of Dunn, who was justly esteemed by all classes (Mr. Barber) as well as to every other colored man in the Legislature, I represent, I am a man of 'infamous character.' Who would expect any other verdict from such a source? The black people, I am confident, still trust in me. They have never yet failed to give me what I asked in the way of political preference; I am well known to them and they to me, and I feel sure there is no unfavorable account to be balanced between us. If I have failed to do my duty, the people, the only earthly tribunal

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"what at first an infant's hand could snap stiffer upon older limbs like gauges of iron"; or, as Cooper so strongly expressed it:

"Habits are soon assumed; but, when we strive To strip them, 'tis being fayed alive."

My attention was directed toward this subject by the request of an eminent divine that I would write an article for the *Independent* on the habit of using Tobacco; to which I replied that it was scarcely fitting that so new a convert should assume the position of a lecturer to others on a habit abandoned only last spring. But I may say on this particular point, without even apparent inconsistency, that every man's habit in that line makes it more difficult to surrender it even for health's sake. At first, as is well known, the system rejects it, as it rejects tartar emetic. Nature, however, finally surrenders the contest, and yields to its sway. It becomes a companion and a solace; even more—a second nature, indeed. When, at last, prudence, or duty, or health, or example induce you to discontinue it, there comes another struggle, sharper than the first, and perhaps more doubtful. It is the contest between habit, on one side, and will, or the other, with temptation and appetite giving constant aid and comfort to the former, while the latter must fight its battle alone, without such powerful allies on its side.

Bacon asserts that "habits, wisely formed, become truly a second nature, as the common saying is;" and, believing that those unwise formed become the same, it may not be unprofitable to look at a few of the common everyday habits of mankind that are not wisely formed, and which we should seek to eradicate from our lives, as the farmer seeks to eradicate the Canada thistle from his field.

Drinking.—No man ever became a drunkard, lived a drunkard's life, died a drunkard's death, and filled a drunkard's grave as a matter of free choice. No one ever became an excessive drinker who did not begin by the habit of being a moderate, a very moderate drinker. If it were the habit of all not to take the first step, and thus not become moderate drinkers, the unutterable horrors and woes, the destitution and crime, which result from this master evil of intemperance would cease. Wives and children, friends and communities, would not mourn over loved ones thus dishonored and lost. But it is the habit of drinking becoming the law of their being and of their daily life, the lack of resisting power resulting from this terrible thrallship, the fever of habitual temptation and appetite, which causes that yearly death-march of sixty thousand of our people to the saddest of all deaths and the saddest of all graves, followed, as mourners, by half a million of worse than widowed wives, and worse than orphaned children.

HABITS.

BY HON. SCHUYLER COLFAX,
Vice President of the United States.

Few of us fully realize how constantly and how potentially our lives are influenced and even dominated by our daily habits. Shakespeare taught us "how use doth breed a habit in a man"; for the frequent repetition of acts causes a tendency, almost irresistible, toward their regular recurrence, which has caused habit to be called a kind of second nature growing up within us. Observation, as well as personal experience, teaches us that Paley was right when he said: "Mankind act more from habit than reflection, for man is but a bundle of habits." How important, then—how vital indeed—that we should watch these habits in those near to us, as well as in ourselves—knowing, as we do, that

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We will be glad if you notify our office of any delinquency on the part of our carrier, as our arrangements are such that every issue of our paper should be regularly delivered.

The thanks of the LOUISIANIAN are conveyed to Major William Vigers, chief clerk of the House of Representatives, for quite a batch of reports and other important State documents.

If the Congressional Investigating Committee had been empowered to extend its inquiries into the origin and practice of lobbying bills through our State Legislature since 1868, it would have unearthed the record neither very welcome nor creditable to the leaders of "the people" and "the reformers."

The English people are becoming so solicitous about the safety of Dr. Livingston, the great explorer of the interior of Africa that a party of search are about to be dispatched to the inhospitable regions to search for him. \$24,000 have already been subscribed for that purpose.

We don't blame the Governor one bit for demanding Flander's blank resignation. As resignation is not among Flander's virtues it is a good thing to be able to make a virtue of necessity sometimes.

It will be remembered that Italy, Brazil and Switzerland were empowered to appoint each one arbitrator on the Committee on the "Alabama" claims. They have been appointed and it is now said that only one of them can read English. For the other two to intelligently engage in the arbitration, every document will have to be translated into some other language which all the Commissioners understand. The proceedings under any circumstances will have according to the present formation of the Committee, to be carried on in a foreign tongue.

OUT OF TOWN.

Packard breathed freer when he learned that the Committee had gone to Washington. Packard is a sweet thing. He is obliged to write a man in New York to prove himself uninterested in the pavement swindle, which bobbed up and then bobbed down again three years ago. Why he must send so far to get information which could be got so easily at home is not to be seen. That unfortunate deputy who loaned mattresses and blankets out of a vessel under seizure, that the Wilderness Senators might rest easily, is still "out of town." This is sorrowful. A man who could remain out of town so long and withhold by such means Packard's vindication of himself, must be dead to all human consideration of pity and sympathy.

NEVER SATISFIED.

The *Picayune* of yesterday didn't want the Congressional Committee to suspend its investigations here so suddenly, as some citizens wished a complete exposure of existing corruption by an impartial inquest. Besides this there are "five creditable persons in possession of unnoted and important information to be published whose testimony has been cut off by this departure." It may be matter of some regret that these "five" did not testify in New Orleans, so that the Press artists might touch up the coloring of the evidence a bit, but the fact that the Committee will not sit in the Customhouse here, will scarcely affect the testimony. Let us remind the *Picayune* that these five burdened and heavy laden gentleman can hie away to Washington City, where they will undoubtedly be permitted to testify.

The evening followed the day in evident good nature. It was a beautiful time. And the happy thousands who after the Carnival disappeared, took a brief respite within doors, again rushed forth "soon as the evening shades" prevailed. Every available standing ground was occupied, and the anxious enquiry heard from many a lip, where will they start from? In vain however where such enquiries for the mystery could not be solved. Again however St. Charles street and vicinity were the scenes of attraction and the curious tens of thousands whose interest had been excited by the high promises fairly jammed up every spot of ground long before 9 o'clock. Shortly after this hour the cry "they're coming" and the sounds of music and the increase of light in the streets indicated their approach. And soon the Mystic Krew wended their way down St. Charles street. The procession halted in front of the City Hall where the Grand Duke and his party were assembled and civilities were passed and the cavalcade resumed its march. All on its way along the route, it was witnessed and justly admired by many thousands of spectators. The tableaux were of the most gorgeous and elaborate and classic description. The principal representations were of characters of the Homeric period and depicted some of the leading characters mentioned in the Iliad, the masterpiece of the father of poetry; while others, though different, were of a remarkably interesting kind and completed one of the grandest pageants witnessed in the city for many, many years.

The procession paraded through several streets and then disappeared in the new Varieties Theatre, where appropriate amusements were doubtless continued. Tuesday will however be long remembered. The continuation of a set of favorable circumstances all contributed towards rendering it notable.

The *Republican* asks a disagreeably difficult question of the Committee of fifty-one. It wants to know how they can claim to represent the people when there is not a colored man, nor a sound white Republican among them? How could you? As we are sometimes good at guessing we will hazard a solution of the problem. They mean the respectable people; and as they don't include negroes and white Republicans in this class, of course they bridge the gulf by ignoring them in any calculation of representation. The recent "Wilderness" and Bay St. Louis affiliation to the contrary notwithstanding.

Will the true Representatives of the people in the General Assembly permit this shilly shally much longer when Democrats defeat Republican measures? Have we the schools provided for? The next election anticipated, or any other necessary work done? We charge the Democrats with the responsibility of defeating reform movements by their frivolous and useless course. When will Republicans have the manhood not to listen to or obey the suggestions of Democrats, who, had they the power, would put every colored man in the gutter.

Wanted to know. The address of the fire when it goes out. Whether the edge of a sharp wind is keener than a cutting satire. Whether a treble singer does three times as much as another. And whether a lawyer even fainted under the burden of conveying a house.

THE CARNIVAL AND THE MYSTIC KREW.

The return of Mardi Gras on Tuesday last was the occasion of the finest and most artistic displays of such galas as is almost possible. It is difficult to describe the whole scene. Long before mid-day the principal thoroughfares were crammed with a bustling mass of humanity moving to and fro. Masked men, women and children of every degree and condition of life doubtless bustled up and down, in every imaginable kind of grotesqueness and transformations. The vicinity of Clay statue at the foot of St. Charles street, on Canal street, was particularly thronged.

At 3 o'clock P.M. precisely a salute was fired at the foot of Canal street and the procession marched up St. Charles street. The line was formed in a fair and orderly and regular manner for such an occasion of pure revelry and unrestrained mirth; but as a procession, it was eminently a success.

The day was remarkably fine, while the sun shone out in the strength of his rays. Travelling for personal entertainment, and not investing his visit with that official surrounding which unfrequently marks the travels of Princes and Rulers, there seems to have been no programme drawn for levees or receptions, and there was doubt as to how and when he could be seen. The anxious public had not long to wait, however, for an occasion to see his Royal Highness. The Mardi Gras Carnival and the Mystic Crew of Comus coming off on Tuesday, furnished the opportunity.

The city authorities had erected a platform in front of their hall, and provided suitable accommodation outside the building we suppose invited the Grand Duke and suite to the present. At the proper hour they took their assigned positions. Shortly afterwards several State dignitaries appeared and the introduction of Governor Warmoth Lieutenant Governor Pinchback and other notables took place.

The Carnival passed and the Royal Highness after enjoying a complete and doubtless satisfactory view of the pageant quitted the stand, and the papers say, at the suggestion of the Mayor left the Hall by a side door and so was sent out of view of the crowd, whose only desire was to look at a distinguished stranger.

But not so thought the manipulators of the unfortunate Duke. He must neither see nor be seen, and he was, therefore, driven down to quiet and neglected streets to his apartments, whether with the apprehensions of murderous pursuers, or to escape assassination, perhaps the Mayor understands. In the evening, however, H. R. H. was again tempted to the same spot to witness the procession of the Mystic Krew of Comus, when an opportunity was again afforded to gaze to look at Alexis.

The Duke and his party afterwards visited two or three of the city theatres where balls were in full blast.

Yesterday the consuls of the various nations represented here, called at the St. Charles Hotel to pay the usual compliments to the scion of a power on friendly relations with it.

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GRAND DUKE ALEXIS.

Arrival at New Orleans
RECEPTION AND ENTERTAINMENT

The steamer James Howard, with this distinguished Prince and suite on board, came within a few miles of this city on Sunday night and rested. On Monday morning she came to the city and landed the ducal party.

The Grand Duke was tendered the freedom and hospitality of the city by Mayor Flanders, and shortly after left the boat and went to the St. Charles Hotel and took apartments engaged previously.

An immense crowd assembled on the levee to catch a glimpse at "the Grand Duke," and a number followed the carriage after it left the landing to feast their eyes with the sight.

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Again however St. Charles street and vicinity were the scenes of attraction and the curious tens of thousands whose interest had been excited by the high promises fairly jammed up every spot of ground long before 9 o'clock. Shortly after this hour the cry "they're coming" and the sounds of music and the increase of light in the streets indicated their approach. And soon the Mystic Krew wended their way down St. Charles street. The procession halted in front of the City Hall where the Grand Duke and his party were assembled and civilities were passed and the cavalcade resumed its march. All on its way along the route, it was witnessed and justly admired by many thousands of spectators. The tableaux were of the most gorgeous and elaborate and classic description. The principal representations were of characters of the Homeric period and depicted some of the leading characters mentioned in the Iliad, the masterpiece of the father of poetry; while others, though different, were of a remarkably interesting kind and completed one of the grandest pageants witnessed in the city for many, many years.

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By a happy chance, Lieutenant Governor Pinchback was enabled to make his personal explanation in regard to the "heavy swearing" done against him before the congressional committee, in the presence of the honorable gentlemen themselves, they visiting the Senate while Mr. Pinchback was on the floor. That he most favorably impressed the congressional visitors, both as to his ability and honest devotion to the Republican party, is not left to conjecture; and that he convinced them, too, of the cordial support rendered to the State administration by the greater and better portion of the colored people of Louisiana, is also a fact.

We much regret, however, that he did not more fully elucidate his relations and associations with Judge Walker, of our virtuous contemporary the *Times*. Here was an opportunity to expose a fair sample of the evidence given to the test of sincerity and consistency.

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Temper.—Like fire, temper, wisely controlled, is often an excellent servant; but, uncontrolled, a dangerous master. Besides it must rule or serve. Without mental power over it, sudden fits of passion often overcome prudence, justice, even love itself, the obligations of business, and the ties of lifelong friendship; while a philosopher has affirmed that every ebullition of ungovernable temper, every hot outburst of passion shortens one's life. Yield to the habit, and it soon becomes your daily disposition. Master it, and it ceases to afflict you. He is more than thrice-armed who can be calm and self-contained when the poisoned arrows of malice or of hate pierce the most cruelly. For the inspired record declares, in language which combines counsel with prophecy: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city." And, if Tilotsen was correct when he said that "anger is a short fit of madness," how should all who desire to have a healthy mind in a healthy body guard themselves against the temporary insanity it creates.

Backbiting.—How much of this vice there is all around us I need not attempt to estimate. So important, apparently, was it in the Creator's mind to condemn it that one of the Ten Commandments (the Ninth) seems primarily aimed against it; and David tells us in the Psalms that among those who are to abide in Thy tabernacle will be found "he that backbiteth not with his tongue;" while Paul, in II Corinthians, specially denounced envyings, strife, and backbiting.

Not only is it evil influence felt in bearing false witness directly against our absent neighbor; but in the appetite for retailing the defamatory words of others against him. How many characters have been smirched, if not destroyed, by that oft-repeated phrase, "They say?" How many sharp and cruel arrows have caused once happy hearts to bleed upon hearing of some wicked and widely-circulated calumny that a thoughtless friend has breathed upon the air, and thus started on its widening sphere of evil. Far rather cultivate an habitual disbelief of floating gossip and scandal. Far rather be honored, as you will be, for defending the absent, and shielding those thus struck at behind their back, by a habit so appropriately called backbiting.

Fretting.—I will not repeat an argument I made in your columns last year to prove that three-quarters of all anticipated trouble seems to be only borrowed trouble, that never came to pass. But I have alluded to this particular point to give your readers the cements of a happy frontiersman upon that very article. Said he, as I met him, on the very outer boundary of our settlements in the Northwest:

"My philosophy of life is very simple, and renders me happy as the happiest. Never fret about what you can help, but go to work and help it. Never fret about what you can't help, for that fretting is all thrown away."

On a plane of perhaps lesser importance may be classed the unwise habits of indolence, carelessness, thoughtlessness, etc., which grow so surely and steadily upon all who do not strive to extirpate them from their daily lives. None, except those who have tested it thoroughly, can realize how much can be accomplished each day by a careful systematization of time, and a thoughtful reminder of the duties to be performed. A few moments given every morning, when the mind is the clearest, to the duties of the day which lies before you, and a few more moments every evening to a retrospect of what duties have been forgotten, and thus omitted, and soon the mind accustoms itself to it, and becomes one of the wise and useful habits of life.

Need I speak, in conclusion, of the well-known fact that Nature loves correct and regular habits, and always rewards those who do not transgress her laws. Regular hours for sleep, for meals, for business, or exercise, for recreation are her commands; and sooner or later she punishes those who dare to disobey them. Habits of philanthropic liberality, of virtue, of aiding in every good word and work, of warring on evil in its myriad forms—priceless in their value and their influence—how they rise in the mind as these closing words are written. Practice them, young men; make them your

"second nature," the law of your being and the rules of your lives. Thus shall you

"Earn names that win! Happy remembrance from the great and good—Names that shall sink not in oblivion's flood; But, with clear music, like a church-bell's chime, Sound through the river's sweep of onward rushing time."

—*Independent.*

Fun and Fancy.

—A plea for old cheese—Mite is right.

"My dinner don't agree with me," said a man to his wife, after an extraordinary heavy meal.

"I don't blame it, my dear, I saw you jawing it so hard."

"Do you enjoy good health, Zachary?"

"Why, yaze, to be sure, who doesn't?"

Quaint old Fuller says—

"Let him who expects one class of society to prosper in the highest degree while the other is in distress, try the experiment whether one side of his face can smile while the other is pinched."

—One of the best hits ever made at an impropriety in a lady's dress was made by Tallyrand. During the revolution, when asked by a lady his opinion of her dress, he replied, "it began too late and ended too soon."

—"A coffin," said an Irishman, "in the house a man lives in when he is dead."

—"Do you mean to say that you can relate occurrences at the time of your birth, from your own recollection?" The laugh which began against the witness turned upon the Judge, as the former replied: "Why, sir, I cannot exactly say that I remember every particular, but I can assure your honor I was there!"

—A friend wants to know when the man who stopped up all night is going to take the plug out.

—A man praising porter, says it was so excellent a beverage that it always made him fat.

"I have seen the time," said another, "when it made you lean."

"When?" asked the eulogist.

"Last night, against a wall."

—An old Greenland seaman could believe crocodiles shed tears, for he had seen whales blubber.

—A tailor, who had made a gentleman's coat and vest too small was ordered to take it home and let them out. Some days after, the tailor told the gentleman that his garments happening to fit a countryman, of his, he had let them out a shilling per week.

—"Did you ever go to a military ball?" asked a lisping maid the other night of an old veteran of Jackson's army of '15.

"No, my dear," growled the old soldier, "in those days I had a military ball come to me—and what d'ye think? it took my leg off."

—"I believe," said tall representative from a country town, "that I am one of the tallest members in the House."

—"Yes," added a fellow representative, "and one of the slimmest, also."

—An old gentleman says that he is the last man in the world that would tyrannize over his daughter's affections. So long as she marries the man of his choice, he don't care whom she loves.

—" Didn't you tell me, you could hold the plough?" said a farmer to a green Irishman whom he had taken on trial, "Arrah, be aisy now!" said Pat. "How can I hold it, and two horses drawing it away from me. But give it to me in the barn, and be jabs, I'll hould it with anybody!"

—"Don't you think tight lacing bad for the consumption, doctor?" asked a young lady of her physician. "Not at all," said the doctor; it is just what it feeds on."

—An Irishman trying to put out a gas-light with his fingers, cried out, "Och, murther, the devil a wick's in it."

—As cold weather approaches it is proper for benevolently inclined persons to present the poor with cords of wood, for their gifts will be recorded above.

—An honest farmer thus writes to the chairman of an English Agricultural Society: "Gentlemen please put me down on your list of cattle for a bull."

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